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<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b>  Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).	Application Number	10/072,404
	Filing Date	February 8, 2002
	First Named Inventor	Paul H. Steen
	Group Art Unit	1725
	Examiner Name	Len Tran
	Attorney Docket Number	19603/3810 (CRF D-2693)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1.	<b>Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114</b>
a.	<input type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted
i.	<input type="checkbox"/> Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
ii.	<input type="checkbox"/> Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
iii.	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
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iii.	<input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
iv.	<input type="checkbox"/> Submission of Formal Drawings
v.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Petition for Three-month Extension of Time
2.	<b>Miscellaneous</b>
a.	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)
b.	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
3.	<b>Fees</b> The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 14-1138
i.	<input type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
ii.	<input type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
iii.	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
b.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check in the amount of \$1,105 enclosed (\$395 for RCE, \$510 for Extension of Time, \$200 for Extra Claims)
c.	<input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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